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CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: I'll call the meeting to order of the Indiana Gaming

Commission. I will announce officially for the record that all of the commissioners are here except Mrs. Bochnowski and, as a result, we do have a quorum. First item of business would be the approval of the minutes of the last meeting which was the meeting of August 20, 1996. Is there a motion to approve those minutes?

COMMISSIONER ROSS: So move.

COMMISSIONER SUNDWICK: Second.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: Is there any discussion? All those in favor say aye. Contrary. Minutes are approved.

The next item is Mr. Thar's report of the executive director.

MR. THAR: Try to keep this report brief.

Last week the staff, specifically Chief Counsel

Fleming, myself and staff counsel Cindy Dean went
to Evansville as an interim step concerning
individuals that had previously been advised that
because of the way they had filled out the criminal history portion of their application had
their temporary licenses rescinded and confirmed
by commission action at the last meeting. We

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took this informal step of meeting to attempt to see whether or not we could resolve some of these before they went to an administrative law judge. We met with ten individuals who appeared each for approximately a half hour to explain their situation and to answer questions submitted to them by the people that were present. Also present was an employment person from Aztar and any representative that the individual wanted to bring with them.

We have not completely resolved how these will work out and we would propose to the Commission the following: That in the event that the staff determines that some of these people should -that settlement should be entered into to allow them to have their license back and allow them to go back to work prior to the next hearing. be allowed to make that decision and that be allowed to go -- people be allowed to return to work assuming their jobs are available to them. Any individual that we determine would not get their license back at this time would have the immediate right to go to the administrative law We will present the results of those determinations at the next commission meeting.

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That is what staff would propose at this time to handle the settlement meetings. Are there any questions with regard to that?

One other item. This probably needs to be taken up under old business, but it was presented to me so I'll make it as part of the report. the end of the last meeting Commissioner Swan had proposed that in the event Indiana Gaming Company LP was unable to get their temporary operation up and operational by a given date that a fine be imposed that would be equivalent of the tax -close to the tax that one could anticipate from them on a daily basis. It was decided that the staff would discuss with Argosy what the proposed (inaudible) should be in the report at this meet-What I would pass to the commissioners now ing. is a fax that was received from Argosy putting in writing their proposal as of yesterday, I believe, Wednesday. Excuse me. In essence, I'll just Proposed resolution is as follows:

Indiana Gaming Company LP, Licensee, shall pay to the State of Indiana and, specifically the Indiana Gaming Commission as agent for the State, the sum of \$75,000 per day as an imputed gaming win tax beginning on December 1, 1996, or fifteen

days after Licensee shall receive Section 404
permit from the United States Army Corps of
Engineers, USACOE. Provided, however, this tax
shall not be assessed should the commission staff
not be in a position to conduct a pre-license
review of Licensee's operation for the purpose of
issuing a gaming license within the time period
above stated or in the event of any delay caused
by an act of God, strike, war, riot, flood,
lawsuit or injunction sought by any third party
or other circumstances which causes a delay for
which the Licensee has no reasonable control.

That is the proposed resolution submitted by Indiana Gaming Company.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: I do agree with your suggestion we probably ought to take this up under old business as a resolution. See what the commissioners feel about it.

MR. THAR: Final item as we sit here today, it is still on the calendar that the Rising Sun boat, Grand Victoria II, would start its opening cruises on September 16th. That would conclude the report. Most of what the staff has done has been in preparation for this hearing, the executive session, plus the opening

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proposed in approximately ten days. Are there any questions?

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: Thank you, Mr. Thar, In regards to the matter of the employees who had their licenses revoked, the staff has gone down and had these informal hearings. took it upon themselves to do this because the sooner those which are going to be resolved do get resolved, the better I think our whole procedure is. So I pleased pleads that the staff did this with respect to the licenses which have been suspended. I would pick up on the suggestion that Mr. Thar has made that we grant to him the authority to reinstate those licenses as a matter of settlement that he and the staff feel should be reinstated and that those people then could immediately, if the jobs are still open, go back to work and he would report to us at our next meeting concerning those matters which have been resolved and licenses reinstated and those matters which have not been resolved and whose licenses were not by the staff reinstated. would request that a resolution authorizing Mr. Thar to proceed with the possibility of settling reinstating these licenses be made so that these

matters can be resolved as soon as possible.

Anyone wish to make that motion?

COMMISSIONER SWAN: Yes.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: Is there a second?

COMMISSIONER SUNDWICK: Second.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: Any further discussion? Hearing none, all those in favor say aye. Contrary. Resolution is adopted. Mr. Thar is authorized to go forward and report back to us at our next meeting.

Next item -- there are no items of -- I guess the Argosy issue could be other old business. You've heard the proposal from Argosy Gaming that the \$75,000 per day be paid to the state as an imputed gaming win tax beginning on the later of December 1, 1996, or fifteen days after the licensee receives its Corps of Engineers Permit 404. Anybody wish to comment on this proposal?

COMMISSIONER SWAN: This pretty well approximates the tax they would have paid the State if they had the admissions that they projected, I think, somewhere in that ballpark, and I think this proposed resolution by them is acceptable to me.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: Also, on behalf of the Commission, I want to thank you for having brought this matter up because I think it was your suggestion that we consider this type of action that caused this resolution by Argosy.

Anything further? Everyone understands that the fifteen-day time period would start to run at the time we receive their Corps of Engineers permit or the later of -- well, it's that or December 1st.

MR. THAR: Right, for instance, I believe in the report that they made during our business meeting last they indicated that their temporary docking facility construction should be completed right around the first of November. If they were to receive the Corps permit today, then the later date would be December 1st because they could not -- they've already advised us they can't get the facility constructed. So that's for the reason December 1st.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: But if they receive the Corps permit on December 2nd, they would have until December 17th to start?

MR. THAR: Right.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: Everybody understand

that? Anything further? Do I hear a motion to adopt the proposed resolution concerning Indiana Gaming Company?

COMMISSIONER SWAN: I'll make that motion.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: Is there a second?

COMMISSIONER VOWELS: Second.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: Any further discussion? Hearing none, all those in favor say aye. Contrary. Resolution is adopted. If you'd assign to it, it would be part of our permanent record.

The next item would be the new business, and the first item on the new business is occupational license issues. I guess Miss Fleming, our chief counsel, has matters to present to us and they're incorporated in our packet under commission order on request for felony waivers.

MS. FLEMING: That's correct, Mr. Chairman. On August 22, 1996, at the Buffington
Harbor Pavillion I conducted felony review
hearings on four individuals who had requested a
waiver of their felony disqualification. That
information is contained in your packets. Those
individuals were Donald Anderson who was seeking

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employment with the Empress Casino, Reginald

Calla [sic.] who sought employment with Trump

Casino, Rosetta McKenna who sought employment

with the Majestic Star Casino and Wayne Wright

who was seeking employment with the Trump Casino.

In all four instances, having reviewed their record, their criminal history, the application they submitted and listening to their side of the story, a transcript of which has been provided to the commission members, it is my recommendation that each of those requests be denied. What is contained in your packet is the commission order on request for felony waiver. There is an individual one prepared for each person. That will be made public record due to the fact that the recommendation and findings of fact that I prepared and provided to you does contain criminal history which is of confidential nature. will not be made public record but will be contained in their file and will be forwarded to an administrative law judge if they determine that they want to appeal the decision if you vote to deny their license.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: I think these matters should be taken one at a time. Does anyone have

any questions about what Miss Fleming has done or the procedure that we're into? If not, I would present before the Commission the commission order on the request for felony waiver for Rosetta McKenna and that order has two blanks in it. One is we either adopt or reject the findings of fact which are required under the law and then either deny or approve the request for the felony waiver. Do I hear a motion to adopt the commission order on Rosetta McKenna?

COMMISSIONER ROSS: So moved.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: And to insert in the blanks adopt and deny. Any further discussion?

Is there a second to this?

COMMISSIONER MILCAREK: I'll second.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: Hearing no further discussion, all those in favor of the adoption of the commission order on Rosetta McKenna say aye. Contrary. Commission order is adopted. I'll next present the Reginald Calla order. Likewise we need a motion to insert the word either adopt or reject, deny or approves. The recommendation on that particular order. Is there a motion to adopt that commission order?

COMMISSIONER VOWELS: I'll move.

COMMISSIONER SWAN: Second.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: And insert the words adopt and deny in the two blanks. Any discussion? Hearing none, all those in favor say aye. Contrary. Commission order is adopted.

The next is Donald Anderson. Do I hear a motion to adopt the commission order on Donald Anderson and insert the words adopt and deny?

COMMISSIONER MILCAREK: I would so move.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: Is there a second?

COMMISSIONER ROSS: Second.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: Any further discussion? Hearing none, all those in favor say aye. Contrary. The commission order is adopted.

Last one would be Wayne Wright. To insert in that order the words adopt in the first blank and denies in the second blank. Any discussion? Do I hear a motion to adopt the commission's order?

COMMISSIONER VOWELS: I'll move.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: Is there a second?

COMMISSIONER MILCAREK: I'll second.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: It's been moved and seconded. All those in favor say aye. Contrary. The commission order is adopted. Thank you, Miss

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Fleming.

The next matter is temporary supplier licenses. Mr. Hannon.

MR. HANNON: There are two companies that we would recommend being awarded a temporary supplier license. The first is Casino Data That's a company in Las Vegas involved in the design, manufacture and distribution of computer systems that control player tracking, casino accounting function, slot machine systems and progressive jackpots. They also through subsidiaries produce related products, meters, signs and graphics. It's a publically trade company with offices in Las Vegas. Our investigators have toured the facility and report favorable findings. The company appears to have a strong financial base and is currently licensed and are doing business under a transaction over a temporary license in eleven different gaming jurisdictions. Primary investigation did not develop any information that would indicate the company not licenseable under our statute.

The Atlantic City Coin and Slot Service

Company Incorporated is a company located in

Pleasantville, New Jersy. It has been in

business since 1978. It was established by a Max Rogers Sealey who still retains ownership either directly or through trust of family members. The company sells casino equipment, including tokens, keno systems, meters, et cetera. They also produce custom slot machine glass and slot machines. They've developed interactive slot machines that they're trying to market in Indiana. The company purchases what they refer to as neutered slot machines from IGT and adds their modification before marketing. They would be distributing the only new machines in Indiana. They also have a function that reconditions old machines.

That company appears to be sound financially and is currently licensed to do business in ten different jurisdictions. The tour of that facility did develop some security concerns.

They were brought to the attention of the management and they are being addressed. Again, that investigation has not developed any information that would indicate the company is not going to be licenseable under our statute, and we would recommend both companies be awarded a temporary license to do business until we complete the entire investigation.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: Anybody have any questions of Mr. Hannon? Is there a motion to adopt Resolution 1996-50 concerning AC Coin and Casino Data Systems?

COMMISSIONER MILCAREK: I would so move.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: Is there a second?

COMMISSIONER ROSS: Second.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: Any discussion?

Hearing none, all those in favor say aye.

Contrary. Resolution is adopted.

The next item of business concerns the release -- reduction of letter of credit for Aztar. The matter on our agenda Majestic Star local investor issue. The attorney who ask that matter be put on our agenda called and said that she would be unable to, on this amount of notice, prepare the presentation she would wish to make to the Commission and so she's asked that matter be delayed until our next meeting. Is that correct?

MR. THAR: That's correct.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: So that matter will not be heard today. We'll take that matter up at our next scheduled meeting.

Now we have other business which is a request

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of Casino Aztar for reduction of their letter of credit. Miss Fleming.

MS. FLEMING: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. On July 8, 1996, Casino Aztar made total payments to the City of Evansville of \$104,166.67. was broken down as a payment to the downtown revitalization project of \$83,333.33; a payment to the economic development project in the amount of \$16,666.67 and a payment to the Pigeon Creek Greenway project in the amount of \$4,166.67. August 8, 1996, Casino Aztar made the identical payments to the City of Evansville. As a result of these payments, Casino Aztar's requesting that the letter of credit posted with the National City Bank in Evansville be reduced by a total of I have attached to the sheet the \$208,333.33. copies of the payment receipts that were provided to the Commission by the City of Evansville.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: We've heard the request. I guess we now are now seeing some result of this money being spent, I hope.

COMMISSIONER SWAN: Since August 8th I haven't seen a thing happen with this money.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: I'll put it this way.

If the city is satisfied that the money has been

received, it will be properly expended pursuant to rules of the State Board of Accounts. I guess it's incumbant upon us to grant the relief requested by Aztar.

COMMISSIONER SWAN: I'll make that motion.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: Is there a second?

COMMISSIONER VOWELS: I'll second.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: We have before us action to reduce the letter of credit by \$208,333.34. All those in favor say aye.

Contrary. The request is adopted and the letter of credit can be so reduced. Anything else, any other business that we have?

MS. FLEMING: I don't believe so.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: Our next meeting is tentatively scheduled for this room on October 11, 1996. I think that meeting tentatively will be set for eleven o'clock. I don't know what time the time changes in Indiana. I think it's the end of October so I think we'll all still be on the same time. I guess we are going to try to bring Miss Bochnowski in by phone for hearing of the licensing in Switzerland and Crawford County. I guess, for the record, I should state if there

are any objections on the part of the officials in Crawford County or the officials in Switzer-land County or the applicants of either of those counties to having Miss Bochnowski participate by phone in these proceedings. Hearing none and assuming we will be able to accomplish this, we will adjourn for about five minutes and we will take up the matter of licensing in Crawford and Switzerland County.

(Short break taken.)

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: Miss Bochnowski is available by phone. We've even put a microphone next to the phone. Can you hear us, Ann?

COMMISSIONER BOCHNOWSKI: Yes, I can.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: We're here to consider the licensing in Crawford and Switzer-land Counties and the applicants and the officials from the county are here. Do any of the commissioners have any questions still remaining that they wish to propound to any of these parties?

COMMISSIONER SUNDWICK: I have one for Crawford County.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: Would you identify yourself for the record.

1 MR. DOUG FLOYD: My name is Doug Floyd. 2 MR. JEFF LORENZA: My name is Jeff 3 Lorenza. 4 COMMISSIONER SUNDWICK: The question is 5 is there any financing -- the last time we talked 6 there wasn't financing available for the project. 7 MR. DOUG FLOYD: We submitted a letter 8 with an update through your staff that advised of 9 our additional ten million dollars of equity 10 contributed to the project. This is Ed Ernst, the president of the company, and we also 11 12 provided you with Mr. Torguson's written 13 commitment of a guarantee permanently of the 14 obligation. That's the extent of the changes 15 since your last consideration. 16 COMMISSIONER SUNDWICK: Thank vou. 17 COMMISSIONER VOWELS: We read a 90 18 million dollar figure last time and with this ten 19 million that you're talking about from Mr. --20 starting off with the 90 million dollar figure 21 you said ten million has now been --22 MR. ERNEST: He asked me to pay 23 additional ten million in capital. 24 COMMISSIONER VOWELS: That is what 25 Torguson quaranteed?

MR. DOUG FLOYD: He would guarantee the entire amount of whatever financing that would be done. That's the purpose of the guarantee. It's in writing.

COMMISSIONER VOWELS: Are we talking about the --

MR. DOUG FLOYD: The question was whether or not Mr. Torguson's guarantee ran to the value of the entire project, and the answer was yes.

MR. ERNST: Does that answer your question?

MR. THAR: In the information you submitted the Commissioners have received you did bring up the ten million dollars from Crown Casino, but it tagged on the end subject to licensing, permitting and et cetera. Is that of Casinos Magic or Crown Casino?

MR. ERNST: Casinos Magic. It's nonrestricted. It's an equity contribution through
the form of a convertible debenture into Casino
Magic which would be contributed unconditionally
into Crawford.

MR. THAR: Is Crown Casino at some point in time seeking to be approved for an interest

1 here? 2 No, sir. MR. ERNST: 3 MR. THAR: That answers my question. 4 CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: Did you say it was 5 convertible? What's it convertible into? 6 MR. ERNST: It is convertible into 7 Casino Magic stock. 8 CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: What percent of your 9 stock would it amount to if converted? 10 MR. ERNST: It would amount to roughly 11 six percent roughly of our stock. 12 MR. THAR: That would then have 13 (inaudible) 14 CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: So we actually have a 15 proposal to contribute ten million dollars in 16 equity from a party whom we have not yet --17 MR. ERNST: Actually not a proposal to 18 do that. It is a debt structure that is con-19 vertible or redeemable. It can also be purchased The conditions of this debenture it's 20 back. 21 convertible to common stock to two million 22 shares. 23 CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: Venture, did you say? 24 MR. ERNST: Casino magic debenture. 25 would be convertible to common stock or --

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: You're talking about Crown purchasing a ten million dollar convertible debenture from Casion Magic, and I asked what the terms were and you said it's common stock and that would be six percent.

MR. ERNST: Two million shares. We have 36 and a half million shares outstanding. We would also be at the holder's option you could look to receive additional cash payment to have the additional ten million dollars retired as well. It is not — it's conditional. It's a debenture that's going in right now that's paying interest. They have an option to convert to common stock two years out of Casino Magic or to be paid cash in the term of 206 million at that time and it's subject to us receiving licensing and applicable permits.

MR. DOUG FLOYD: Suitability of Crown is not a condition for the purchase of the debenture.

MR. ERNST: Crown has been licensed -CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: When you convert they
then become past our triggerpoint of substantial
owner and if they have an absolute right to
convert and we haven't investigated them, that's

a concern.

MR. ERNST: Would be as any other public company and the opportunity for anybody to acquire more than five percent exists all the time, Mr. Chairman. So that at any time that would happen. There is no requirement. It's strictly if they were to convert at such time it would submit themselves for findings of suitability unless you require they come forward.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: Say we found them not to be suitable, for reasons that I have no idea that would exist.

MR. ERNST: Then we have the normal conditions we have. Be able to redeem at par.

It's the same as any other issue that you'd have to do.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: The holder has the right to either cash or convert and you have a right to redeem. There's no lockin that he would have an absolute right to convert.

MR. ERNST: No, we have in our bylaws, as most public gaming companies do, you are not allowed or if you're not found suitable we have the right to redeem their stock. That's in our Casino Magic bylaws, so if there is not --

because suitability issue for any individual that becomes a holder, as is with most other public companies in the gaming business, we would have the absolute right to redeem his stock.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: We do have the right to investigate people, even public companies where they become a substantial owner.

MR. ERNST: You could investigate anyone, that's correct.

COMMISSIONER SUNDWICK: I think the problem at the last minute change get it in the mail and then there's an opportunity for this to happen. Again changes the game. We've been accused of letting the game change too many times so it's just another game change. We know this before and all of a sudden the game has changed.

MR. ERNST: The reason we put that in there is the question was raised about the relative equity percentage as related to our financing package that we discussed. Raised by a number of the commissioners (inaudible) so we went out and sought the ability to be able to enhance that equity position. We don't, as we said in the meeting before, we believe we were quite equity as it related to the project

financing. This allows us to increase the amount of equity and reduce the amount of debt on the project and it is Casino Magic Corporation debt and can be (inaudible) from your perspective at anytime to review that. Crown has been a licensed gaming operator in Louisianna, just recently was purchased out of their operations in Lake Charles by Casino America and is presently going through the licensing process in Iowa and we've acquired the Clinton operation in Clinton, Iowa.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: Anything further of these gentlemen?

COMMISSIONER VOWELS: Just briefly.

He's going to personally guarantee the 80 million balance of what you're telling me; is that correct?

MR. ERNST: Dick guaranteed the debt itself. I don't know if you want to comment on that.

MR. MARLIN TORGUSON: I'm Marlin

Torguson, the chairman of Casino Magic. I am the

largest shareholder of Casino Magic and I am

willing to put my Casino Magic stock up on the

line for this project because I absolutely

believe that this project is a good project for Crawford County and for Casino Magic, so I am willing to do that.

COMMISSIONER VOWELS: I guess my question would be -- think how to phrase this. Let's talk about the worse case scenario. You guaranteed what we're talking about an 80 million dollar debt; is that correct?

MR. MARLIN TORGUSON: If they ask me to do that, yes.

COMMISSIONER VOWELS: Let's say worse case scenario is that needs to be called in and you need to come up with 80 million dollars.

MR. TORGUSON: I am willing to pledge my Casino Magic stock.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: That's really not what we were told. You are not basically guaranteeing the debt. You're willing to put up as security for your guarantee your Casino Magic stock and that's it? I'm talking about your cars and house and all that stuff, or aren't we?

MR. TORGUSON: I'm willing to personally guarantee the debt.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: Out of your total personal assets?

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1 MR. TORGUSON: Absolutely my personal assets, that's correct.

> CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: You kept saying put up stock, and that's not the same as a guarantee. At least it wasn't when I went to school. Any other questions? Hearing none, thank you, gentlemen. Do you have questions of any of the other parties who are here? If not, I quess we are at the place where we're going to go into the discussions of licensing of these applicants in these two counties.

MR. THAR: Did you hear that? COMMISSIONER BOCHNOWSKI: I heard everything.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: I would like to see if anyone -- we do have the statement from Ann which we are going to read, but if anyone has anything they wish to say before we get into her statement. I quess I would start off by saying that I always think these decisions are harder as we go along, and it seems that's what's happen-They get harder as we go along. We have here two very deserving counties. They have unemployment which is not what we would hope the people in Indiana would show. They're all good

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people. I'll again acknowledge that there's a whole contingency here from Switzerland County and from Crawford County, but we also have a problem or I have a problem in that the last thing that I would want to vote for would be to vote for something that in the end, rather than helping and fulfilling the expectations of these counties who are so deserving that turned out that it would end up hurting them, and we've all heard stories of what has happened where expectations have not been fulfilled because, to put it the vernacular, the boat sailed away and the flow of income was not available and the establishment of jobs did not -- was not fulfilled on any kind of long-term basis.

We have Crawford County which is basically the middle of the state where we have just licensed a substantial project in Harrison County next to it. The unemployment, from what we are now hearing, is a substantial percentage and everyone that's unemployed is a tragedy as far as I'm concerned. Any individual that's not employed who really wants work, it's a tragedy when they can't get it, but on the other hand, when you look at the absolute numbers percentage-wise, it

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may be high. Percentage of the total population, but because the population in that particular part of the state is rather sparse, the total number of people is not as great as you would think when you first look at the percentages.

But it's a lovely county. They have, I think, a beautiful location.

Then we get to Switzerland County, which these are really good people who have really worked hard and we certainly appreciate their stick-to-They picked themselves up and came back and became a very viable applicant even though they didn't make it the first round and, likewise, they are good people. We've received an awful lot of mail, statements from the people who are opposed to putting the boat in Switzerland County. I quess I appreciate all those sentiments, but I quess it's our job to act in counties where by vote of the people a majority indicated that they want a boat in Switzerland County. we're now hearing from those people who I presume voted no, but they were not the majority, and under Democratic systems when you get to a place where you actually have a vote, I think this commission and other agencies must go along with

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what the majority has said at the ballot box and, as I say, I appreciate the sentiments that we've received from the people who are opposed, but I guess the vote was really the thing that we should really look to.

We also are faced with an awful lot of material, some I which, of course, tends to be contrary. We have market surveys for Switzerland and Crawford Counties. We have people who are proponents in Switzerland County looking at Crawford County and saying things about Crawford County and, likewise, people who are involved in Crawford County say things about Switzerland County. I guess when you start looking at market analysis by people those tend to be educated, I hope educated quesses at best. I always remember I'm old enough to remember that Ford Motors did an awful lot of market research on the Edsel and I don't know if any of you out in the crowd remember the Edsel, but it didn't last very long, and that was based upon the best market research to be purchased by the Ford Motor Company.

COMMISSIONER VOWELS: That was in the year I was born, by the way.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: As I said from the

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top, this becomes more difficult. We've got some awful good people on both sides and we've got companies that have spent a lot of money and made a very fine presentation, but I guess we come down to the question do we really have enough information at this time based upon the market analysis and surveys by the people who are making the quesses to act. So I would just as a statement think that even though it might end up basically presenting a problem for those people who are all ready and anxious to get going, it might be the most prudent thing for this commission to do to wait and see a little bit about how things are going to shake out. licenses are not like whistles in a Cracker Jack box. They are items that involve an awful lot of expectations on behalf of everyone. We've given out four down on the Ohio River. Some of those will be coming on line and starting to operate fairly soon. We might have an awful lot more information on what is exactly the situation down there after some of these operations have opened and tried to make a go. I think that it might be the most prudent thing, at least from my point of view, to see what happens in the next few weeks

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I'm not talking about postponing this forever. I think it's the duty of this commission to exercise the authority given to it by the legislature and to grant the fifth license. I just am uncomfortable at the present time making a choice between these two counties because of the lack of solid operational data.

COMMISSIONER SUNDWICK: I certainly can appreciate the Chairman's view. I look at the information that we've gathered I certainly vacillate at the beginning on where the fifth license should be issued. I tend to believe that there's appropriate information based on testimony given to us by the applicants as far as the capability to finance specific programs and also the demographics. I think that's part of the biggest problem we face as a commission. could paraphrase what I think is being said, there's not enough information to indicate where this boat should be put. There's a lot of concern by this commission that if the boat is put in Crawford County what would that do certainly to Evansville, certainly what it would do to Crawford County if Ceasar's goes on line.

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So there's a lot of issues in that side of the table. The other side there was an issue of will the Cincinnati area market in fact support three Short of other information, I kind of thought or I felt that the presentation made by Hilton and Boomtown at the last meeting certainly had a lot of information and certainly all your (inaudible) because I certainly wouldn't want any competitive boats near mine if I had a boat, but taking that into consideration, if you look at just the size of the marketing, it's pretty obvious at least to me that no matter what we tamper with or how we call the numbers, there's still 14 million people in a 200-mile radius of Cincinnati. Based on the numbers that we know, it seems to be very appropriate that you could suggest very easily that there's enough revenue that can be generated to support all three locations on the eastern side of the state. suggested that may not be necessarily true in the Evansville -- the Louisville market. I think if you postpone this, if we postpone it, I don't think the outcome would be any different. think that the market in the Cincinnati area will support three boats. I'm skeptical to believe

that also the financial package that the other county including the market could support that.

I've considered everybody's presentations and try to look at both sides, all the issues, and I think that the demographics just prove out the fact that there is certainly enough revenue to be generated, and we could wait until two months, six months, five months and that won't change. I just don't -- if this Commission feels that's appropriate to wait, I can't -- it would be hard for me to believe that anything will change.

I've been proven wrong before, but I would be hard to believe that.

enough as to appropriate information. What we do know is how many people live in the area. What we don't know, because they've never done it before, is how much these people are going to gamble. We have in this country on riverboats win averages that will go from fifteen dollars to in the sixties or more. We don't know what Cincinnati will be. They may have a lot of people, but if they're not producing the revenue on those boats, those boats won't last. I think it's more prudent now to wait and see what the

market really does. I certainly don't know want to get into a situation where Indiana has a black eye of an oversaturated market and we have three losers, as an example, in one area where two might have made it. That's my concern. As to the comment the effect of Evansville, I believe that effect is already made with the Harrison County award. Yes, Crawford County would have some more impact, but I don't think it's the kind of thing that would destroy the Evansville project. I think the project is going to stand on its own two feet with one boat in Harrison or with a boat in Harrison County, Crawford County. I don't think that's a matter of concern to this commission.

commissioner sundwick: I think everything you said is right and I think it kind of lends to prove the point that in fact we don't know how many people are gambling in Louisville. We still have something about Evansville. If you take the same 200 miles, you can't make a case. At least in my opinion. A third boat in that particular area would survive better than a third boat in the Cincinnati area. So I would say that if somebody is saying to me that in fact we have

to wait and see if there's a third boat in Cincinnati because we don't know what will happen, which I believe we do, but if that's the case, I think you have also to make the case that that's the only possible place for a boat because of demographics.

COMMISSIONER SWAN: I don't necessarily agree with that.

COMMISSIONER SUNDWICK: I understand.

I'm just trying to look at the numbers. If the numbers are anywhere near correct, then we have to agree on something. If there's 14 million people in the Cincinnati market and there's not 14 million within the Louisville-Evansville market, then I think it's a fate accompli that it can't be there. If we make the first assumption that it has to validate the second. That's the only point.

COMMISSIONER SWAN: Based on the demographics, on the numbers that have been presented, I'm sure when people put boats in the river or Kansas City or wherever it was, they didn't put them in the river based on \$15 or \$20 win. We could experience that. I am a little more cautious on this thing than I think you

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might be.

COMMISSIONER ROSS: I think the market that we're talking about is really an unknown It's not like Chicago, for instance, where there's a lot of people close and who will just take off and go. Two hundred miles is a long ways to drive to gamble and to see which place you're going to go. I haven't looked at the marketing over the entire country and to know like everything else that there's a saturation point in time. The Ohio River may be at that point, particularly the way the transportation is to each site. The way that Rising Sun is fairly close to Lawrenceburg and Switzerland County is on the other side of that with only two or three access roads to get to the place makes it pretty tight area to try and determine what's going to happen. I see no reason to rush into this, although I guess some reason that the companies would like to rush into it because they've got the money, but other than that, they may be well -- it may be good for them to wait rather than each one of those places to cannibalize the I would tend to agree with what -other. COMMISSIONER SUNDWICK: My only comment

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is if in fact these companies -- either one are prepared to spend the amount of dollars they will have to be somewhat convinced this will happen. Number two is that a license to approve either one of them today that in fact they couldn't be on line within 18 months there's a sufficient time for them to make a business decision to tell us "You can take your license and we don't want to do this." For some reason we believe that granting this license somehow we guarantee their success. Either county. In fact, they could withdraw. What we're going to do is we're going to say postpone to see if you can be successful. They're committed to be successful. So in fact, let them be success -- if they can't, if the dollars don't work out, I'm not -- I'm pretty convinced either one of them would withdraw and give us their license back. There's nothing that says they have to keep this license. They can say "This is not going to work out. We're not getting the numbers that we think." I wouldn't spend 130 million dollars to take out a license. I'd spend 130 million dollars to win. certainly can do what we want but certainly has got the right to vote for them, but I don't know

if that will change in six months or five months or whatever you come up with. I will be in fact -- we postponed either project by six months.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: Ann, at any time if you wish that we make your statement part of this record, let me know.

COMMISSIONER BOCHNOWSKI: I'm listening to all this and I think that the statement that I sent in earlier this morning still holds true and I think it would be easier, rather than me saying it over the phone, if that was just read into the record, if that would be possible.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: Jack will read it into the record then, Ann.

MR. THAR: The statement was faxed to the commission office at 8:50 a.m. this morning.

Such statement is as follows: Since we last met

I have been spending my time reviewing and reflecting upon the hearings and our materials.

While all votes are important, this one has particular impact because it is potentially the last gaming license to be granted in the State of Indiana. The cases made by the gaming companies were persuasive and the presentations made by the

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counties were compelling. While I would like to be the one to bring economic prosperity to every one of our worthy applicant counties, it is my firm belief that it is better to progress cautiously. Far worse than saying no during this go around would be the impact of a failed project on a community. Through her conflicting testimony regarding the market size and scope of each location, but the truth is clear. No one knows what the market is yet. It is my opinion that we should wait and allow the companies have been approved to develop the projects. way we will get an accurate picture of the true market, not just computer projections. other issues as well including availability of employees, transportation problems, potential partners which have not been investigated and questions about financing. The overriding issue to me, however, is the creation and maintenance of a strong development in Indiana. Clearly there is enough opportunity available to communities surrounding the approved projects. Revenue sharing would provide some relief to cash drab counties. Finally, if the market is as strong as some have said, we will have plenty of

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candidates for the last license in the future.

My vote is to pass on all of the candidates at
this time and revisit this last license when all
of our current Ohio River licensees have had a
chance to get up and running. Thank you.

Is that your statement?

COMMISSIONER BOCHNOWSKI: That would still hold true. I would still go by that.

COMMISSIONER SUNDWICK: Let me comment. I think Ann's comments are appropriate, but a couple things that I would take exception with. No matter what we do it would be very hard for me to believe the Commission would re-open this to all -- there's only two counties that's left that I think voted for the gaming license. They were represented in this room, and I think in deference to these two counties, we have to give them -- if in fact we're going to postpone that. Is not reopening the whole -- they spent a lot of money and time. I believe it's their decision, certainly not one that we ought to say thanks, but no thanks. There's only two counties. think it wouldn't be in our best interest and probably their best interest to go through this again. I think we lose credibility with the

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COMMISSIONER VOWELS: That no other counties could vote --

COMMISSIONER SUNDWICK: I'm suggesting we ought to postpone it for these people in this room or I don't suggest that we re-open the whole thing up in six months. I don't think -- we've been through this. I don't think that would be fair or appropriate. I think if you want to wait and see if that's your point, I think they ought to withdraw and we should open this back up. that's what I heard and saying we ought to open it back.

MR. THAR: Bob is questioning whether or not you're suggesting that the whole process be re-opened at a later date.

COMMISSIONER BOCHNOWSKI: Well, based --I think that might actually end up having to happen if we delay because one of our applicants indicated that they wouldn't be interested in waiting. That might end up being a possibility. I had really projected that far at this point I just want to let our -- the companies that we've already licensed be able to get up and running and then I want to see what the market will bear.

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CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: I don't think there are any other counties.

COMMISSIONER BOCHNOWSKI: We can work out the details later.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: I don't think there are any other counties.

COMMISSIONER BOCHNOWSKI: That would be another decision we'd have to make.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: There are no other counties voting this November.

MR. THAR: There are none.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: If we postponed it until January, we'd still be dealing with Crawford and Switzerland Counties and, as far as I would be concerned, to the extent that the applicants will stay viable as applicants, I would not open it up to any additional applicants. I would go with Crawford and Switzerland and with the applicants who are filed in each of those counties and I would suggest a postponement until our January meeting, at which time we will consider what has happened. The Rising Sun boat will open approximately September 16th and, as you know, the Lawrenceburg boat hopes to open sometime the latter part of this

year, and from all indications, the Corps of Engineer permits will be available on that time and we have now, pursuant to Commissioner Swan's request, a penalty if they don't get up and running, so I can see them also up and running, and we'd have at least an indication by January where we are. That would be my suggestion.

COMMISSIONER VOWELS: If we do, do we have any ground rules in reference to the applicants? What I would see happening is possibly in January --

COMMISSIONER BOCHNOWSKI: Excuse me. My sone is out of surgery right now so I'm going to have to get off.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: We thank you, Ann, and we wish him the best.

much. I don't know how you want to take my vote or if it would count at this point.

MR. THAR: We have to have a resolution for her to vote.

COMMISSIONER ROSS: Her statement speaks for itself.

MR. THAR: But I don't know if we can count that as a vote.

1 COMMISSIONER VOWELS: I have a question 2 and I'll waive my question if you want to 3 proceed. 4 MR. THAR: Can you stay on 30 more 5 seconds? 6 COMMISSIONER BOCHNOWSKI: Yes. 7 CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: Is there a motion to 8 do something? 9 COMMISSIONER VOWELS: I would move that 10 we stay proceedings until a date in January and 11 vote again at that time. However proceeduraly 12 that would happen. If we would have to receive any additional information my basic motion would 13 14 be to defer this matter until the January 15 meeting. 16 MR. THAR: The motion is to defer this 17 issue until the January meeting. 18 COMMISSIONER BOCHNOWSKI: I would vote 19 yes on that. 20 COMMISSIONER SUNDWICK: If you're going 21 to postpone this, we're talking about making it 22 the same two counties until January with the idea 23 of relooking at this to see what kind of statistics and numbers. I want to make sure 24 25 we're all talking about the same thing.

MR. THAR: There's only two counties that can be in the fray as of January, and these two are the only applicants, unless one chooses to withdraw, but there is no notion at this time to re-open. Just these two counties, these two applicants. Perry County is eligible but it has no applicant. There are no deadlines set to allow applicants to come in.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: So we're really talking about these applicants, these counites postpone until the January meeting; is that

COMMISSIONER VOWELS: That's correct.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: Is there a second to

COMMISSIONER ROSS: Second.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: It's been moved and

COMMISSIONER BOCHNOWSKI: I'm still here.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: All those in favor of the resolution say aye, raise their right

COMMISSIONER BOCHNOWSKI: Aye.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: With your vote that

is four -- five. You're voting in favor of the motion?

COMMISSIONER MILCAREK: I'm voting in favor of the motion. However, we didn't have a discussion and I question whether January would be long enough.

COMMISSIONER BOCHNOWSKI: I have the same question, to be honest, but I'll go with the majority on this.

COMMISSIONER MILCAREK: They're not coming on line in Lawrenceburg until December 1st or after. What difference is it going to make.

Then if for some reason we decide we need more time, we can always take more time. There's nothing in this resolution that says that we won't take more time. On the other hand, I would like to see us move forward expeditiously. If we have the information in January, I think we might be in a position to make that decision. So there's five --

COMMISSIONER SUNDWICK: I was going to say this could go on forever. If I was any boat owner it would be never be a good enough time.

We have to set a deadline sometime for these

Right now until the Then if we have additional facts, we'll share them. Contrary to the motion,

COMMISSIONER SUNDWICK: Yes.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: The motion has been adopted by a vote of five to one. Ann, you're

COMMISSIONER BOCHNOWSKI: Thank you very much and I will see you next Monday.

CHAIRMAN KLINEMAN: I quess is there anything else any of the commissioners wish to state for the record? Hearing none, is there a motion to adjourn? Anything further, Mr. Thar? This meeting is adjourned. Thank you.

(Whereupon, the meeting was adjourned.)

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